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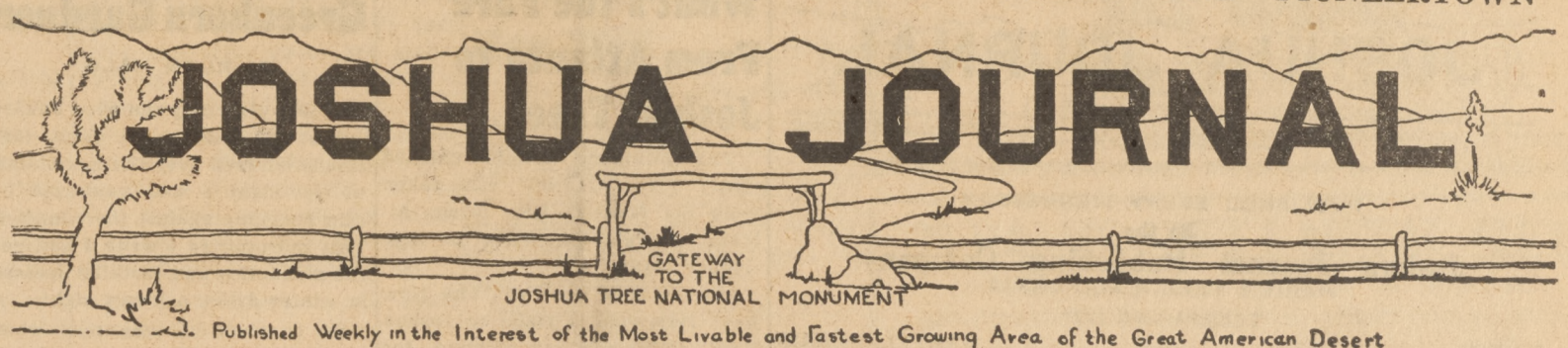

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Rich Gold Strike Near Pioneertown

Yucca Valley Breakfast Club Has First Meeting

YUCCA VALLEY—First Yucca Breakfast Club meeting with the accompanying breakfast was held Sunday, Oct. 23rd, at Bouchey's restaurant. At least two dozen of Yucca's prominent business men and interested citizens were present.

Over a satisfying Bouchey breakfast (this was second full course breakfast for nearly all. Yucca wives take note.—Ed.) Jules Boldizar, chairman for the day lead discussions on Xmas decorating, highway signs and many other spantaneous subjects.

The breakfast club voted to stimulate a contest for the best Xmas decorations. Two divisions were decided upon, one for merchants and one for private homes. Prizes will be dinner at Bouchey's and several other gifts to be donated.

Possibility of getting a stop sign or some device to slow down speeding motorists was a subject of much pro and con. Mr. Dwight Daniel, County Safety Engineer has been asked to survey the situation.

A short talk by Mr. Hess of Morongo on the stray and astray cattle situation was highly informative on points of law in regard to the local meandering mavericks.

Other highlights of the Breakfast Club confab was a lively discussion between Ole Hansen and Claude Guinan on the difference between "skid road" and "skid row," Ole inferring that gentleman Claude was well informed on the latter subject.

For all late comers, the Yucca Breakfast Club was organized to stimulate constructive thought and discussion concerning development of the community. All ideas and plans will be forwarded to the various Service Clubs for action. In other words a shot-in-the-arm committee. Any male citizen of adult mentality that lives in Yucca is eligible to join. There are no dues, or obligations, just be at Tommy Bouchey's each Sunday at 8:30 a.m. with either a full stomache or an appetite, but plenty of ideas, or good humor.

Ambulance Association News

Within the next few days those whose memberships are expiring during the balance of 1949, will receive notices to that effect.

For further information we are reprinting present rules and regulations of the Association:

Dues $3.00 per family for calendar year or portion therefor. No service without charge until (7) seven days after payment of dues.

Service given only on orders from a doctor, registered nurse or State Highway patrol officer. Patient shall be taken to nearest doctor's office, clinic or hospital. Charity cases to be taken to San Bernardino County hospital only. Service not available to convalescents.

A charge of 50 cents per mile shall be made to non-members.

Fees can be paid at the Mitchell Real Estate Office or mailed directly to Helen H. Gerhard, Secretary, Joshua Tree.

29 Palms Pioneer Day Parade Exceeds Past Celebrations

29 PALMS — A two mile long parade composed of everything from horses to two ton trucks recalled the spirit of the old west to this very modern desert community. Participants from as far as beach area helped to make it a Southern California affair. Several weeks of good advance publicity, via press, radio and poster brought a large cavalcade of out of town visitors.

All the desert Chamber of Commerce and other service clubs entreed floats in the parade, and many prizes were awarded.

The entrants divided into sections received prizes as follows: Grand Marshall, "Lucky" Carson, making the grand award trophy.

SECTION I

First Prize: Desert Trail
Second Prize: Kenney's Drug Store
Third Prize: Mixon Lumber Co.
Special Awards: Monterey Drum and Bugle Corp. of Monterey Park, Calif.; Sun Valley Turkey Land.

SECTION II

First Prize: Joshua Tree Children Square Dance
Second Prize: Boy Scouts, Twentynine Palms
Third Prize: Cub Scouts, Twentynine Palms
Special Awards: Nursery School, (Bessie Hamaker); Joshua Tree
Cub Scouts—Leather Medallion Ribbon of Leather.

SECTION III

First Prize: Twentynine Palms Motel Association
Second Prize: PTA - Twentynine Palms
Third Prize: Joshua Tree Womens Club
Special Awards: Womens Club Seniors; Calvary Church; Morongo Junior Riders.

SECTION IV

Sweepstakes: Road Runners Roost —Trophy
First Prize: Yucca Valley Square Dance
Second Prize: Twentynine Palms Symphony Society
Third Prize: Tommy Bobby Wruble
Special Awards: The Vaughn Family, Chino, Calif. Palm Springs Riding Academy.

Judges for the parade were: J. B. Carroll of North Hollywood, Mrs. Helen Lausen, Reseda, and Mrs. Horace E. Wyman of Los Angeles. Joe Wasserberger made the award presentations, Pres. O. H. Miller crowned the parade queen, Maybelle Royall of Yucca with a big western hat. A scroll from the Chamber of Commerce was also given to queen Maybelle.

Credit is due to Jim Goss for the fine job that he and his committee did in organizing the parade. The Chamer of Commerce reports that the financing was on the black side of the ledger for the celebration. Thanks is expressed to the various desert communities for their cooperation.

Federated Club News . . .

During the past week over a thousand of our new brochures were mailed to 125 motels and courts throughout the United States. Per their requests a supply of these folders was also mailed to the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy Railroad and the Milwaukee Road.

The new supply is going fast—keep those contributions coming in so that more of the folders can be ordered! (At the end of the present drive by local canvassers all donators will be listed in the Joshua Journal, according to Secretary Helen Gerhard.)

Our goal—100% contributions!!

Stray and Astray Cattle

MORONGO — Morongo's stray and astray cattle problem seems to be solved definitely after all these years of worrying. According to a talk given to the Yucca Breakfast Club by Mr. Hess, astray cattle may be impounded, legally fed for thirty days, and held for damages done to private property. The law allows fifty cents for feed per day and at the end of thirty days, if properly notified, owner (three public notices and recording) has not claimed delinquent stock, they may be sold at public auction for damages.

One carless cattle owner paid for annd claimed his wandering bovines recently in Morongo rather than lose the valuable stock.

In a recent letter to Mr. Hess from Sheriff Jim Stocker, the latter informed Mr. Hess that the law allows impounding for thirty days and fifty cents per day for feed, but that impounding authorities or property owners must immediately notify stock owners. Stray cattle can be impounded under the same law, but impounder must notify local law enforcement agents. Sheriff Stocker could not recall if this is still open range conutry, but investigation by interested parties has failed to uncover any laws concerning open range. There is however a Federal law establishing a cattle trail through the Morongo Basin.

DRIVERS EXAMINATION

TWENTYNINE PALMS — The Division of Drivers' License will work in Twentynine Palms, Wednesday, Oct. 26, and the fourth Wednesday of each month thereafter. Hurs 10 a.m. to 12 noon, 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Child Psychologist To Speak in Joshua Tree

JOSHUA TREE—Mrs. McDaniels, child psychologist from the County Welfare Department is scheduled to speak at the PTA potluck dinner on Nov. 2nd, in Community Clubhouse. Mrs. McDaniels has had a wealth of experience in this field and has many valuable hints for young mothers and doting grandparents.

The potluck supper is open to anyone in the valley and valley residents are invited to the lecture even if unable to attend the supper. Time 6:30 (sharp).

Union Oil Erects Station in Joshua

JOSHUA TREE—Union Oil began construction of a new station at the corner of Highway and Monument Road Monday, Oct. 24th. Two workmen from the C. J. Pardis Construction Co. of Los Angeles began setting batter boards at 4 p.m. Nigg Engineering Co. of Covina has the contract for the steel work. The new station will be twenty-five by thirty-one feet and will have a sixteen foot canopy. Workmen estimate the station will be ready in thirty days.

Dead Man's Curve

MORONGO—Of interest to all residents in the Morongo Basin is the preliminary surveying of Dead Man's curve by the State Highway department. The tricky, snap curve will be eliminated soon (we hope). This dangerous corner has in the past caused death and many serious accidents. At present, use of the horn in coming up the canyon and brakes coming down may elimiate several more accidents before work is finished on the curve.

Whitehorn Ranch Begins Swimming Pool and Motel

JOSHUA TREE—Meredith Wiley, ranch manager for the White Horn Ranch Estates is supervising construction of a twenty-five by fifty foot concrete swimming pool at Outpost Road and hiway. The pool will be modern in every respect including a large filter system. Upon completion of the pool which will take about six weeks, construction will begin upon a series of adjacent motel units.

Modern '49 Gold Discovery Rivals Fabulous Past

YUCCA VALLEY — M. A. Woodall and Bill Williams revealed today that they are negotiating arrangements for the mining of gold nuggets on the McClure claims at the head of Rattlesnake Canyon, just below Tip-Top mountain. Geo. McClure, discoverer, found the rich deposits several years ago and has taken out many valuable nuggets. Ironically no one believed McClure's stories until Woodall saw samples and inspected the area, recently.

The claims are all placer and produce only nuggets varying in size from pin heads to a quarter of a pound. A recent test run of fifteen yards of gravel netted nearly four ounces of gold. Conservative estimates are about eight dollars a yard, stated Woodall, as only a surface run was made.

Mining experts and engineers from a prominent West Coast foundation inspected the claims Sunday, Oct. 23rd, and were amazed at the recovery. They stated that large scale mining operations would be needed, due to volume of gravel, but that recovery would be relatively simple.

When mining operations are scheduled to begin is not yet decided, but soon, however. Would-be prospectors to the area are cautioned that all claims have been staked, filed and "proved" many, many months ago.

Women's Club Tossing Turkey Dinner

JOSHUA TREE—A delectable turkey dinner (full course, of course) is to be served by the Women's Club between 5:30 and 8 p.m. Saturday, Ocotber 29th, at the Women's Club. Come early and you can eat twice.

This dinner is being served for the purpose of paying off two notes on the ktichen. Tickets are $1.50 for the big appetites and 75c for the ones under twelve years.

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NEW EDITOR FOR JOURNAL

Resignation of our editor, Liz Thompson, to return to her former occupation of physio-therapy leaves the Journal with a vacancy felt by her many friends and readers. A new hand fingers the keyboard.

Hesitant, but none-the-less determined, we start a new "thirty." With a quick transition that gave no time for even an introduction between coming and parting editors, the Journal continues on trying to bring you the news and give you the service you like.

As with every new editor, mistakes are made, like forgetting some last minute copy (apologies to Mrs. Pietschauman and Mrs. Webster of Yucca Valley), hurriedly correcting copy and being forced to cut some that should stay in. Trying to cover a hundred miles of desert a day and seeing everyone we should isn't the easiest thing to do correctly. Pleasing everyone is impossible, so we hope the readers and advertisers will be patient with our errors. If we fail to print something correctly we expect to make amends, if we fail to print something it is because we didn't have room, or didn't want to; in case of the latter come in and we'll argue about it.

Naturally, we hope to expand the circulation and volume of our paper. We can't do it without news or advertising. The merchants and industries that support the Journal with their advertising we, of course, are obligated to publicize in our columns, even so, we will continue to write supporting copy about many who are among our best critics.

So as we go to press on our first edition with our new editor, it is with the hope that we can build a better feeling of friendship among our readers, and a tighter bond between the communities of our desert.

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What's the Fare From Atlanta to Joshua Tree?

The following article entitled "FOR THE AILING" was taken from the Scottish Rite News, Atlanta, Georgia, published in September 1949:

"In the July issue of "The New Age" reference is made to Joshua Tree, California, as climate for sufferers from arthritis. This notice was the result of advice from Brother F. F. Branthoover, Box 53, Joshua Tree, Calif.

In a recent letter to the General Secretary, Brother Branthoover tells of the benefits he has derived from moving to this location. He recommends the climate for all sufferers of arthritis. In so doing, he hopes that many other brethren may benefit.

Church Corner

JOSHUA TREE—Every seat was filled for the SS session and over fifty attended church.

This week the Bible Study will be held at the Church on Thursday eve at 7:30. Dr. D. C. Williams will lead.

Pastor Williams delivered another sermon in the series: "Faith In God." He said: "That we being souls of God, shall be like him when he appears. His is the one mind governing the whole universe."

About seventy enjoyed the fellowship meeting Saturday evening. Doughnuts, made by Mrs. H. K. Lee, cider, apples and tamale pies were served, along with the regular potluck dinner. Slide pictures of the desert, shown by Harry Vroman of Yucca was the highlight of the Fellowship.

On Friday the following attended an all-day session of the County Women's Society of Christian Service at the Methodist Church in Redlands. Dr. and Mrs. D. C. Williams, Mrs. John L. Duncan, Mrs. H. K. Lee, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Kelly.

O. D. Thomas Ill

YUCCA VALLEY — O. D. Thomas, desert poet and developer is confined to bed for perhaps several weeks with a bad bronchial cold contracted when in Los Angeles on a business trip. Excessive fatigue combined with bronchial infection prompted his physician to order him to bed for at least two weeks without visitors.

Greenhorn Gardner

By RUTH HALE

All day yesterday the wind howled out of the west, while great dark clouds hovered over the mountains. In the night I was awakened by rain bouncing against the windows. This morning as I write I can see the mountains and foothills dressed in winter dress, a lovely sight.

So it won't be long now when our outdoor gardens will be dormant. So for winter gardening let's consider the things we can grow in our kitchens and other sunny rooms.

The lowly sweet potato, lentil and orange seeds, as well as numerous other "kitchen regulars" can be developed into truly beautiful house-plants that require little care and last longer than many of the flowering plants.

The sweet potato tuber is easily grown and it's lovely green vine can be made to frame a window by placing a pot vase or whatever you grow them in, on either side of the window. The vines can be trained on wire or with cellulose tape.

Any sweet potato with a large number of eyes will sprout quickly in water, but be sure you don't get a tuber which has been kiln dried as drying kills all growth.

Submerge about one-third of the potato in water. If the neck of the container is too large, the tuber may be supported by matches or toothpicks. Put it in any light sunny place preferably by a window and then relax.

In about a week, the purple buds will swell and the shoots will sprout. Decide how you want to train them and then watch them to see that they follow the correct path. If you wish long vines, pinch back all but three or four sprouts. that they get as much sun as possible, otherwise the leaves will turn yellow and drop.

Next week be sure and read about the other kitchen garden possibilities and suggestions.

Scouts to Have Campsite on Whitehorn Ranch

JOSHUA TREE — The Lions Club sponsored Scout Troop No. 75 is to have a two acre camp site on the Whitehorn Ranch that may become a summer camp for Boy Scouts from all over Southern California if recently discussed plans work out. Donated by Mr. Whitehorn, the camp site is to be constructed by funds raised by the Boy Scouts in the sale of Xmas trees. Herb Longshaw, local merchant canvassed his fellow grocery competitors and all agreed to allow the sale of Xmas trees to the Scouts in this area.

Lions Club Ladies Night

JOSHUA TREE — Due to the illness of Mr. O. D. Thomas, committee chairman for the entertainment on Lions Club Ladies Night plans for the annual affair have been delayed. The Journal is unable to give any details on the dinner dance and all members of the Lions Club are urged to contact Clay Tunstall, Chas. Watkins, or some member of the committee immediately for information. (sorry — Ed.)

YUCCA VALLEY WOMEN'S CLUB TO INSTALL OFFICERS

YUCCA VALLEY — Installation of new officers will be made at the Friday meeting of the Women's Club accordnig to Mrs. Pietchauman. All members are urged to attend.

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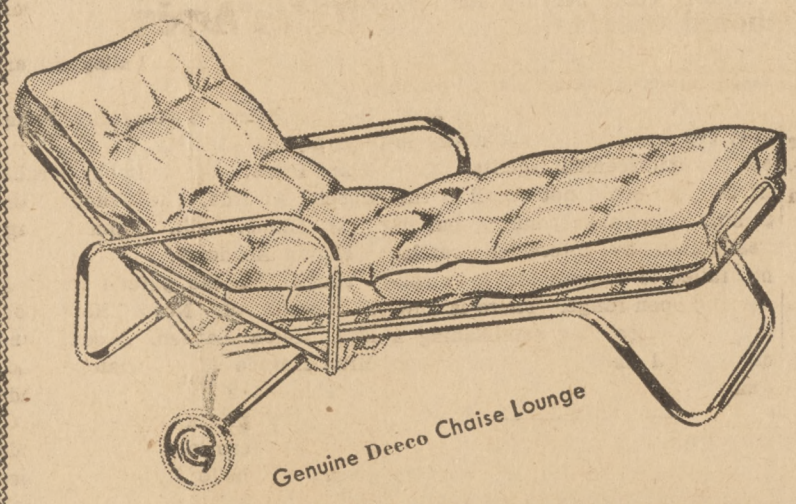
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Joshua Tree Notes

Recent guests at the Joshua Tree Lodge were: Rev. and Mrs. John Marsden Pode and daughter of Norco. . . Mr. and Mrs. Bair of Bellflower . . . Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Carver and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Meyer of Artesia . . . Mr. and Mrs. Manning and daughter of Colton . . . E. B. Moore of Burbank . . . Mr. Wm. Zeitz of Glendale and Mr. Aubrey Clarke of L.A. . . Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Browne, Miss Ruth Bliss of Pomona, and Mrs Lillie Lancaster of Santa Monica visited Mrs. Edythe Fraetis on Saturday. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Johnson of Lynwood were visitors of the Jack Branthovoer's Sunday . . . Herb Longshaw left for Alhambra and L.A. on a two day buying trip last Monday. . . Mrs. Gus Ojala, Mrs. Guy Peterson, Mrs. Henrietta Pepper, Mrs. Mary Rose and Mrs. Meredith Wiley attended the San Bernardino County Federation of Women's Club Meeting at Ontario, Oct. 21st. Mrs. George Cornelius, State Chairman of Education gave an informative talk on self education.

The Johnny Arches are the proud parents of a seven pound, thirteen ounce girl, born Sunday, Oct. 16th at 1 a.m. in Redlands hospital. This is the third girl for the Arches. Color of eyes? "Hanged if I can remember," says Johnny. The mother is doing nicely . . . Mr. and Mrs. Ray Rees spent a week in L. A. where Mrs. Rees underwent a physical check-up to prove that the desert has kept her healthy. . . . Pat is teaching young Garry to blow a whistle. A little early for that sort of thing, isn't it? . . . The sparkle in Mrs. Harrington's eyes when she talks about her grandchildren. . . . The Shell Service is using a special lubricant that should be of interest to motorists these days. It retains its viscosity regardless of temperature. A war born product designed for planes in either desert or arctic regions, it is now adapted for civilian use. . .

The R. B. Chrystals who spent Sunday, Oct. 15th as guests of the Geo. Mulls returned last Saturday to visit Giant Rock with son, William. The Chrystals are now converts. . . . Mrs. Bernice Lytle of Los Angeles is spending two weeks with Mr. and Mrs. Mull at their Rancho Buena Vista residence on Sunrise Terrace.

D-Bar-J Sports Center at New Location

JOSHUA TREE—Formal opening of the D-BAR-J Sports Center at its new location, one block north of the sotp sign, will be Thursday, Oct. 28th.

The new place has a very informal atmosphere. Besides the big roomy bar the Center boasts of five other recreational activities includin pool, shuffleboard and card tables.

Beer, soft drinks, candy and cold sandwiches will be served at any time during opening hours which will be from 9 a.m. to past post meridian seven days a week. All games will be free opening night.

Lafferty Gets New Well

JOSHUA TREE—The well drilling team of Wheeler and Irwin spudded in for an eight inch water well on the Sam Lafferty place at the corner of Highway and Yucca Mesa Road last Thursday. "Hope it's a fast job," remarked Sam, "I sure need a shower."

Wheeler-Irwin are the proud operators of a brand new cable-tool rig capable of punching in a twelve inch hole. They expect to make a good well on the Lafferty place at three hundred feet.

Road Work Finished

JOSHUA TREE — Widening of the highway in Joshua Tree business district was completed last Friday despite breakdown of the dozer Thursday. Art Strictler, Co. district road foreman, with the aid of "sidewalk superintendents" finished the dust coat to the edge of the highway, where Sam Lafferty takes over to complete the job to the property lines.

New Lumber Shed

JOSHUA TREE—Mr. Stacy and Harold Jost of the Joshua Tree Builders Supply have just completed a new lumber shed 21 by 80 which will give them a capacity of more than one hundred thousand board feet of lumber. With a smart eye to the weather the shed was built with an eastern opening. At present the stock of high grade lumber includes all standard sizes of 2x4, 2x6 and sheathing.

Pioneertown News

A very busy week-end at the Golden Stallion . . . Dr. Lea is planning a twenty by sixty rest home near Mina Gambol's place, will bring patients from the big, smoggy city; another picturesque rail-road tie job. . . . 'Bout time Carol is breaking Daisy into the saddle . . . Jonesy, better hire that re-head who was playing piano last Saturday The "Red Dog" ain't heard nothin' like that since the good old days . . . Even the gals are wearing "hop-a-along" cow-boy outfits. What's this guy Russ got, anyhow?

"Hop-a-long" Rides Again

PIONEERTOWN — Russ Hayden, cowboy movie hero and Pioneertown Corp. president, will soon begin a series of "Hop-a-along" Cassidy thrillers as "Lucky", hard ridin', fast shootin' quiet speakin' idol of the front row fans.

Hayden plans to film all of these pictures in Pioneertown locale with an independent producer, who accompanied him on a tour of Pioneertown this past week-end.

If the number of size "10" "Hop-a-long" Cassidy cow-boy outfits now in vogue is any indication then our hero "Lucky" is definitely on his way up.

By the way, Russ, one of your idolizing Size "10" out-fits was all over Pioneertown last Saturday, guns and all, huntin' fer "Lucky."

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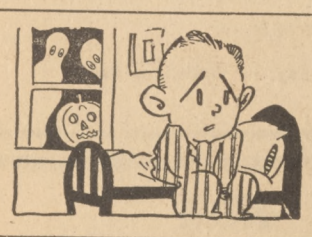
Yucca Valley Notes

Chet "Reddy Kilowatt" Lemke, the Power Co.'s local representative vacationed the past week in San Francisco where he visited friends in charge of the electrical appliance installation on new ships. Vacation? ..... Tom Humpheryville weather-proofing Yucca Valley Inn. Lots of deer tags for sale "cheap," says Vi..... Shadow Mountain saddle club from Palm Desert finished their ride through from Big Bear via Long Valley. Bill Royal, sleepy eyed from all-night deer trek, lead the party through after a previous mislead down the wrong canyon by a local (tsk, tsk) citizen. Long Canyon is a good horse trail to Desert Hot Springs, says Bill ..... John R. Shales, realtor, and past Pres. of Yucca Chamber of Commerce handed in his resignation to the local C of C. Opening a new office in San Bernardino. Is very busy man. .... Yucca Valley Community Service Club had their weekly pot-luck Monday . . . Yucca's entry and prize winning float in the parade at Twentynine Palms was the Building Supply truck in disguise with "mule skinner" Woodall on the seat. La Don Lewin, Iona Lawrensen, Joyce La Ferny and Irene Tunstall with their partners were the square dance team. Rusty Orr o nthe drums and Jim Boldman on banjo furnished rhythm with Jonny Kee calling. Hep cat La Ferney almost took a dive.

Jules Boldizar and Clay Tunstall, members of Yucca Valley's air farce bombarded the ball park at Twentynine Palms during the horse show while the Pioneer Days celebration was in progress. Target was the judges' stand. Bombs furnished by pilot Boldizar had Shell Oil printed on them. Bombardier Tunstall reportedly filled the baloons enroute. Only casualty of the raid was the bombardier's lungs . . . thirty Boy Scouts from Orange spent the night at the Scout site in the Joshua Forest Estatse Memorial Park last Saturday, Oct. 22nd. Pioneertown was their objective Sunday . . . The Community Club is looking mighty spiffy these days. A little paint, soap, and elbow greese does a lot.



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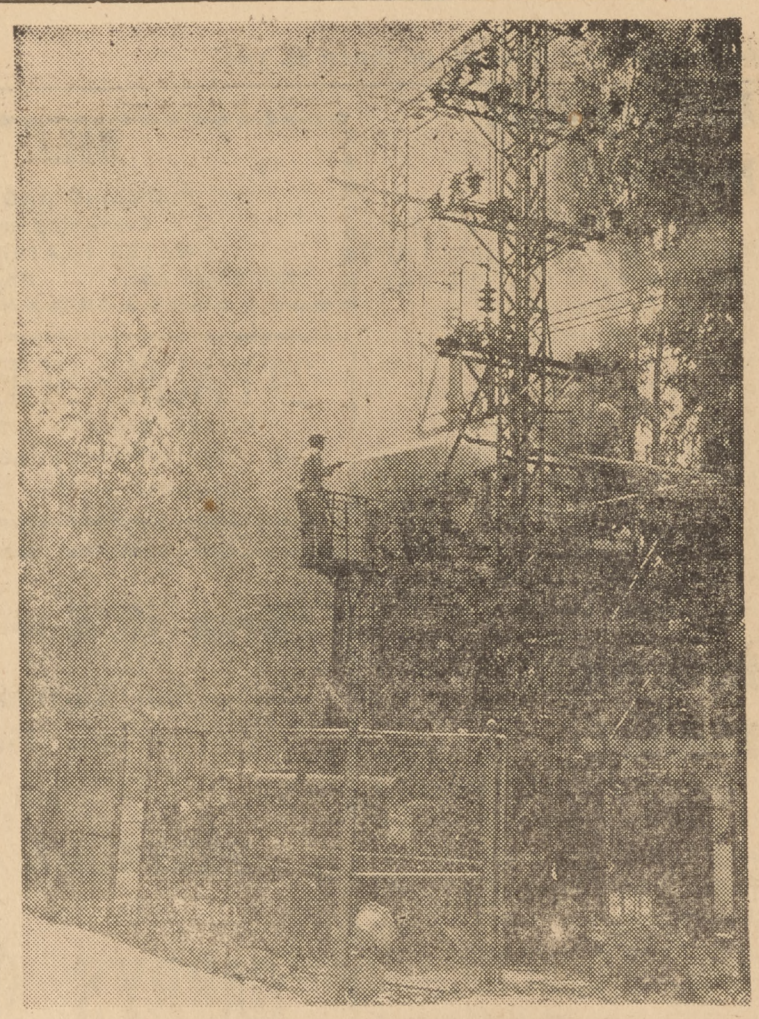

Kid's Karnival

YUCCA—A Halloween carnival for the small fry will be in session the night of Oct. 31, from 6 to 9 p.m. at the Community Service Club. The "jing-bow" is being sponsored by the Community Service Club, American Legion and the PTA. Costumes and prizes are the order for the evening, Kiddies. Be there or we'll send the old witch after you. B-r-r-r-r!

Masquerade Party at Yucca

YUCCA—The usual Sattidy nite square dancin' at Yucca Community Hall is going to be enlivened with a masquerade party. Door prizes will be given for the best costume (or costumes if you want to make a quick change).

The Club has been newly painted and decorated to fit the occasion. Fun starts at 8:30. No horses allowed inside.

JOSHUA TREE WOMEN'S CLUB RECEIVES NEW MEMBERS

JOSHUA TREE — The Joshua Tree Women's Club met in regular session on Wednesday, Oct. 19th at 2 p.m., Mrs. Mary Ojala presiding. The reception of two new members, Miss Sara Swayzie and Mrs. O. C. Harrinton was announced. The membership of Mrs. May Hibbard was reinstated.

Mrs. Guy Peterson exhibited some of the handiwork being prepared by the Club Bazaar to be held sometime in November.

The Women's Club of Barstow is holding a reciprocity tea on Wednesday, Nov. 2nd at 1:30 p.m. Muscoy is holding one on the same date. Those desiring to attend either contact Mrs. Meredith Willey. Following the business meeting Mrs. Edwin Baker was the recipient of a linen shower.

Model Home Open For Inspection

PARADISE VALLEY—Two new model homes will be shortly finished, and one will be open for inspection this weekend on the Kranshire Tract, reports Pat O'Neil, manager. A Duvall Construction Co. job the new homes are stucco with wide eaves especially adapted for desert living. Several more homes are to be started soon.

Morongo Valley Notes

Mrs. Van Pelt spent the weekend in her newly finished home. A long time Federal employee with FHA, Mrs. Van Pelt will retire in two years to her desert home . . . Beautiful Pat Fobes seen dashing about the valley over the week-end. Pat is back in college this year . . . Mr. Hopgood, former neighbor now residing in Santa Ana, was up on business. Said Sunday traffic down below was very thin. . . One of Moongo's eateries will soon re-open under a new owner. . . . Members of the volunteer fire dept. were to turn out at 4 p.m. Sunday to burn the community dump. A four month's accumulation. Did we get it did, Chief Freeman? . . . Guests at the Morongo Lodge: Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Coons of Sherman Oaks,, resting after completing a new store building there . . . 1st trip for Mrs. Ellen Henky and Mrs. Kathy White of Glendale, love this valley . . . Mr. and Mrs. Tidbell of Santa Ana, dairy business.

"CISCO KID"

PIONEERTOWN — A fourteen day shooting schedule on the next "Cisco Kid" production begins Monday, October 31st, Phil Krasne revealed today.

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Community Hall

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1st Tuesday, 7:30 p.m.
Legion Hall

LIONS CLUB
1st & 3rd Thursday, 7:30 p.m.
Dinner — Board of Directors last Thursdays

P.T.A.
1st Wednesday

BREAKFAST CLUB
Every Sunday 8:30, Bouchey's

JOSHUA TREE

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
2nd Friday each month
Community Hall

WOMAN'S CLUB
Regular meeting — 3rd Wednesday, each month.
Board of Directors, 1st Wed.
Community Hall

SPORTSMAN'S CLUB
1st & 3rd Monday
Sportsman's Hall

COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION
2nd Thurs., 8 p.m., Community Hall

MORONGO VALLEY

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
2nd & 4th Thursday
Community Hall

WOMAN'S SOCIAL CLUB
1st Thursday, 7:30 p.m.
Community Hall

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Fri., Sat. Oct. 28-29
Walt Disney's "DUMBO"
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Serial News

Sun., Mon. Oct. 30-31
"THE GIRL FROM JONES BEACH"
Ronald Reagan
"CLIMBING THE MATTERHORN"
"BEST OF THE BREED"
"THE UGLY DUCKLING"

Sports - -

Maybe it was the weather, but bowling scores read like the last week's thermometer drop. However, hot on top of the Desert League was the Watkins team with eleven wins and only one loss. Late scores on Monday night's bowling were not available when the Journal went to press, so the following is last week's line-up:

Eagles — Yucca Valley	7 wins	5 lost
Bldg. Sup. —	5 wins	7 lost
Lions —	5 wins	7 lost
Ted's Beer	4 wins	8 lost
Sam's —	4 wins	8 lost

In the Tri-Valley League Joshua remains in the lead with twelve and four, the rest are as follows:

Pioneertown — 9 & 7
Nelson's — 6 & 10
P. T. Merchants — 5 & 11

Tuesday nights will feature mixed doubles at the Pioneertown Bowling alley and Thursday will be for men only.

High score average for October is Stan Gruber of Pioneertown with 236 points average. Orville Welcher, September high man, trails in second place. In the women's bracket is Val Lafferty with 187 avreage.

Making the Desert Pay

YUCCA — How to live on the desert for one's health and still eat is a problem solved by Vance Danner, owner of Vance's Desert Souvenirs, a gift and hobby shop located on the H'wy across from Warren's Well. Danner, a former pattern maker from Vernon brought his hay fever to Yucca several years ago, and lost it, as long as he stays here, of course.

Vance turned his trade into a payable hobby, making crafts from Joshua wood and other desert plants. A skilled workman, he has produced many clever and beautiful designs. Covered wagon lamp shades, cactus holders, and many other table ad-ornaments. His Joshua wood veneer is superb.

Church Notes

JOSHUA TREE

COMMUNITY CHAPEL
Rev. D. C. Williams, Minister.
Sunday services, 11 a.m.
Community Chapel
Sunday School: Mrs. H. K. Lee, Supt., Community Chapel, 9:45 a.m.

FELLOWSHIP MEETINGS
Fellowship meetings are held at the chapel the fourth Saturday of each month.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SERVICE
Sunday Service at 11 a.m.
Sunday School same hour
Community Hall

YUCCA VALLEY

YUCCA VALLEY COMMUNITY CHURCH
Sunday School Services—10 A.M.
Church Services—11 A.M., 8 P.M.
Thursday evening — Prayer Meeting — 8 P.M.

TRINITY FULL GOSPEL CHURCH
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Rev. Lola M. Stout, Pastor
Sunday School 9:45 A.M.
Morning Worship 11 A.M.
Evening Worship 7:45 P.M.
Wed. Bible Study 7:45 P.M.
Fri. Prayer Meeting 7:45 P.M.

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THE TURKEY GROWERS PAGE

ASSEMBLED ON THIS PAGE EACH WEEK ARE NEWS ITEMS OF INTEREST TO THE TURKEY GROWERS OF THE DESERT AREAS

Corrected and Complete Prize Awards of the Sunfair Turkey Show

Held at Sunfair Community, Joshua Tree, Oct. 15, 1949

SENIOR TOMS
(20 weeks or older)

1. Richard Kink
2. Allan Stepp
3. Charles King
4. Silver Dollar Ranch
5. Charles King.

JUNIOR TOMS
(under 20 weeks)

1. E. L. Bereman
2. Robert Kroes
3. Mayfield Ranch
4. Tarrazas Ranch
5. Haynes Ranch

WHITE TOMS AND HENS

Senior Birds

1st prize — Tommy Frye

Junior Birds

2nd prize — Weygold Ranch

SENIOR HENS
(20 weeks or older)

1. Hubba-Hubba Ranch
2. Silver Dollar Ranch
3. Briggs Ranch
4. V-Bar-M Ranch
5. Allan Stepp

JUNIOR HENS
(under 20 weeks)

1. E. L. Bereman
2. Haynes Ranch
3. Tarrazas Ranch
4. Perry Dutton

— Phoned from L.A. by Robert Beals of the Sunset Milling Co.

NOMINATION OF OFFICERS FOR SUN VALLEY CLUB

SUNFAIR—The regular meeting of the Sun Valley Club will be held in the store building at Sunfair, Thursday, Oct. 27th at 7:30 p.m. All members please be present as there will be nomination of officers.

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Operatic Star Visits Sunfair

SUNFAIR—Rashelle Doree is becoming a rather frequent visitor to Sunfair. Mrs. Doree is spending several weeks in Joshua Tree just plain enjoying the climate. An operatic singer gifted with a wonderful personality, Mrs. Doree charms all she meets. Born in Marsielle, France and educated in Instabol, Turkey, she has a fine background of musical and cultural talents. Mrs. Doree sang for several years at the French Theatre D'Art in San Francisco. She is also a popular star at Carnegie Hall. . . . The V-Bar-M Ranch is shipping seven hundred and fifty-eight turkeys this week to the Assn. market in Riverside. Mr. Summers says they weigh about 28 to 30 pounds each. . . . Turkey price this season is just above the government support level, a slight rise is expected just before the holidays. . . . The new Fetherston ranch is making preparations for the next turkey season. Mrs. Fetherston, who is in charge of Columbia's Studio Wardrobe was here over the weekend. . . . Mrs. Chas. King of the Del Rey Ranch has just returned from an extended visit with her daughter and new granddaughter in L. A.

100,000 Turkeys to Be Grown in Sunfair Next Year

SUNFAIR—Five turkey ranches have been purchased so far this month in the Sun Valley area, according to Chester R. Bunker, President of the Bunker-Summers Land Co.

It is expected that the new ranch owners will soon start construction in order to be ready for next season's turkey crop.

After a preliminary check with the present turkey growers and in anticipation of the new ranches to be established this year, Mr. Bunker says, "more than one hundred thousand turkeys will be grown in the desert area the coming turkey season which starts about Feb. 1st.

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Forrest M. Summers
Charles I. King
Tommy Frye
Committee

Wetmores Begin Turkey Ranch

Rod and Isabelle Wetmore of Westwood Hills broke ground Tuesday, Oct. 25th for construction of a ranch home on Ranch No. 21 of the north addition of Sun Valley Acres. The property recently purchased from the Bunker-Summers Land Co., will be developed as a complete turkey ranch. The new ranch is adjacent to the Chas. King Ranch on the east and faces the Sun Mesa Road.

New Turkey Recipe

Already popular in some sections of the country, turkey steaks are an adventure in eating yet to be experienced by many. Steaks are made cross-cut, bone, or boneless, by a machine which knits small and large pieces of meat together forming round or oval patties.

Each steak is usually made from about a quarter pound of turkey and is about four inches in diameter and half an inch thick. Best way to cook is to fry or braise, with or without a crumb coating. Serve hot.

Shorter Fasting Pays

Keeping feed from poultry only three or four hours before killing now seems best, according to recent experiments at the University of Maryland.

Research men there, in trying out different fasting periods, found out that the average birds will lose about one third of its intestinal contents during the first three or four hours of fasting. The crop is emptied in this time and pressure o nthe intsetines is reduced enough to withstand the normal handling in the course of marketing.

When birds were fasted for 24 hours before killing (according to the long-established practice in many sections), there was an average weight loss of nearly three ounces per bird, of which two ounces was body weight.

— Ralston Hannas,
Country Gentleman

Turkey Page

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Hints for Motorists Stuck in Sand

Old-timers in the desert country generally know where it is safe to drive a car without getting stuck in the sand. However, such misfortune does at times descend on even the most experienced desert driver and it is well to be prepared.

Each may have his own special method for getting "unstuck" but what will work in one situation might not be efficacious in another. Here are a few hints from experienced drivers.

Lower the air pressure of the bogged rear tires down to approximately 15 pounds. While the forward surface of the tire is pressed deep into the sand the lowered air pressure makes the tire take an oval shape with the air driven back toward the rear surface of the tire and presenting a wider tread on the road. It's handy to have a tire pump so pressure can be restored when you get out.

Some drivers always carry a roll of chicken wire or pieces of wire netting to put under the tires. One old-timer has suggested carrying old T-model running boards.

It is smart to keep a shovel and filled water bag in your car of you plan to follow any desert roads that are unpaved. A small axe can be handy if it is necessary to cut down sage or greasewood for matting under the wheels.

Once stuck — never race the motor enough to make the wheels spin, and don't try to move in either direction unless front wheels are straight.

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